## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 1999-177-C - ORDER NO. 2002-117

**FEBRUARY 21, 2002** 

IN RE:	Application of CenturyTel Long Distance,	)	ORDER CANCELLING
	Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience	)	CERTIFICATE AND V
	and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Resold	)	WITHDRAWING TARIFF
	Telecommunications Services within the State	)	
	of South Carolina.	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") on the request of CenturyTel Long Distance, Inc. ("CenturyTel" or the "Company") to cancel its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate resold telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina and to withdraw its applicable tariff.

By letter dated February 11, 2002, CenturyTel, through its consultant, advised the Commission that CenturyTel was requesting cancellation of its Certificate to operate as a reseller of intrastate telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina and withdrawal of the Company's tariff. CenturyTel's authority to provide resold telecommunications services was granted by Order No. 2000-0091 issued January 28, 2000, and amended Order No. 2000-0135 issued February 8, 2000.

As reasoning for its request, CenturyTel states that the Company no longer has any customers in South Carolina and has ceased its operations for offering telecommunications services in the State.

As CenturyTel, by its own acknowledgment, no longer provides the services for

which its Certificate was granted, the Commission finds and concludes that CenturyTel's

request to cancel its Certificate and to withdraw its tariff should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate

resold telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina authorized by

Order No. 2000-0091, dated January 28, 2000, and amended Order No. 2000-0135, dated

February 8, 2000, issued to CenturyTel Telecommunications, Inc. in Docket Number

1999-177-C is hereby cancelled, and the tariff filed by the Company is withdrawn.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the

Commission.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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